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R.R.WHERRY LAID AT REST

SIMPLE SERVICES WEDNESDAY

Untimely End of Sierra Madre Citizen Brings Sorrow to Many Friends

Funeral services for the late Robert Ralph Wherry were held Wednesday afternoon at the chapel of Rosedale cemetery, Los Angeles. The services were conducted by Rev. James M. Campbell, D. D., and were brief and simple. A number of friends from Sierra Madre and Claremont were in attendance. The remains were placed in the vault at Rosedale.

News of Mr. Wherry's untimely end last Sunday came as a severe shock to his friends in Sierra Madre and elsewhere who had regarded the condition of his health as being rather favorable during recent months. Those who were close to him, however, had been aware recently of a tendency to brood over his disease and over business affairs. Shortly before noon Sunday he started out for a walk and when he failed to return soon Mrs. Wherry became alarmed and enlisted the aid of friends in a search for him. Before he could be found he had made his way to an orchard in the northwest part of town where his dead body was found about one-thirty o'clock, with a rifle near by which he had carried from home concealed under his overcoat, telling the story of the fatal wound. There seems to be no doubt that the act was induced by a temporary aberration caused by worry over health and business.

Mr. Wherry was thirty-eight years of age and a son of the Rev. John Wherry, a well known missionary in China for more than forty years. He was a graduate of Princeton University and of the New York Law School. He had been admitted to practice law in New York, New Jersey and California, though he had never been active in his profession in this state. It was while opening up a law practice with a brother in Newark, N. J., that his health first gave way. A complete breakdown forced him to come west, his mother accompanying him to Arizona where they spent nine months. He had about regained his strength when news of the Boxer outbreaks in China ty of his father as to cause the loss caused such uneasiness over the safe- of most of the strength he had gained.

From Arizona they came to Southern California and Mr. Wherry purchased an orange ranch near Claremont. Always a loyal Princeton man, he named the ranch "Nassau." In 1892 he married Miss Helen B. Warren, a daughter of Col. E. W. Warren and niece of the late Gen. G. K. Warren. Two children were born to them, a daughter and a son. About three years ago they came to Sierra Madre and built the residence on Adams street which has since been their home.

In addition to his legal training Mr. Wherry possessed recognized business ability. He had been president of the Claremont Co-operative Water Company, director of the North Palomares Irrigation Company and an official of the Golden State Portland Cement Company. He possessed a genial disposition and a droll humor, which made him companionable and popular wherever the state of his health permitted him to go among his fellows.

FIRE DESTROYS RESIDENCE

Early Morning Blaze Arouses Residents of Upper Part of City

Fire destroyed the unoccupied five-room bungalow on the west side of Baldwin Avenue between Olive and Palm streets early Monday morning. The origin of the fire is unknown, as it was not discovered until practically the entire house was in flames and beyond saving. Only the foundation and chimney were left standing, the destruction being complete. The house was insured for $2500.

The property is owned by a Miss Barrett of Los Angeles, who was in Sierra Madre Sunday afternoon and visited the house. No one has lived in the house for several months and it was unfurnished, except with a mortgage for $1000 held by A. L. Bennet of Sierra Madre and falling due within a week. This chain of circumstances has caused considerable comment but whether anything will be developed in the investigation of the insurance adjusters remains to be seen.

LIBRARY PATRONAGE GROWS

Figures compiled by Mrs. Wheatley, the city librarian, show more eloquently than any other argument the wisdom of providing ample support for the public library. In a comparative statement of circulation and number of card holders for 1909 and 1910 the number of card holders is shown to have increased from 222 to 431, or nearly double. The circulation in all departments for November, 1910, was 1008 as against 523 for the same period in 1909. Especially gratifying is the showing for the circulation of non-fiction works, which advanced from nothing in November, 1909 to 93 in November of this year. This showing, it is expected, will be still further increased when the book committee places on the shelves some important works which have been much in demand

WILL BE A BOOSTER

S. R. Winter, who left for New York on Wednesday, did not go from choice but because business affairs demanded his presence in the east for several months. If it were left to his personal preference he could not be pried loose from Sierra Madre with a crowbar, so he informed his friends before leaving. He has come to regard this place as his home and declares his ranch is not for sale at any price. While his friends here are anxious to have him hurry back, he declares they are not half so anxious as he is to get back. It is a safe bet that he will lose no opportunity to spread abroad the praise of Southern California in general and of Sierra Madre in particular.

BOARD OF TRADE MEETING

Good Attendance and Lively Interest at December Session

About thirty members attended the regular meeting of the Board of Trade Monday evening and enjoyed a spirited session. While the meeting was in no sense a rally for the water bonds to be voted on the following day the necessity for getting out every vote to guard against the defeat of the bonds by indifference was dwelt upon. Chairman Moote of the civic improvement committee reported that there were still some poppy seeds on hand at the store of Secretary Patterson for free distribution and urged that the entire supply be used for the beautification of the town. Mr. Dietz reported on the progress of preparations for the flower festival to be held in April and mentioned the work which has been done in the way of clearing and planting the lots adjoining the Woman's Club House to give the exhibition a good setting.

Secretary J. A. Patterson referred to the need of the Board for money with which to carry on necessary work and proposed that an entertainment be given early in the year under the auspices of the Board. The motion aroused some discussion as to the advisability of the Board engaging in such affairs and raised the question of whether or not the town was not already over-entertained. It was pointed out that the Board has never given a publi entertainment for the purpose of raising money and for that reason many would doubtless be glad to patronize it. Such a plan would also shift a small part of the burden of the Board's expenses from the shoulders of the members to the whole community which benefits from its work. This view prevailed and President Mead was authorized to appoint a committee to take charge of the enterprise. He named J. A. Patterson, Guy H. Johnson and George B. Morgridge.

Mayor Jones was called upon for a report on the action of the League of California Municipalities regarding a change in the law to provide for making the expense of clearing vacant lots a lien against the property. He said the convention received the proposition with apparent favor, the problem being common to all municipalities. The legislative committee of the League is at work upon this and other new laws to submit to the legislature.

M. H. Bridle spoke pointedly and at length upon the need for a fire alarm system. He suggested that four alarm bells be placed in different parts of town, to be operated from the central telephone office. W. E. Farman spoke of some difficulties in the way of such a plan but indorsed the effort to arrange alarms. The Board voted to urge upon the city trustees the necessity for action in the matter.

A very important meeting of the Christian Endeavor society will be held at the Congregational church this (Friday) evening, at 7:30 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

WATER BONDS GET BIG VOTE

CARRIED BY 6-TO-1 MAJORITY

Sierra Madre Voters Register Emphatic Approval of Efforts to Increase Water Supply

By a vote of 123 to 20 the voters of Sierra Madre gave their indorsement to the municipal bond issue of $40,000 to buy the Baldwin water rights in the Little Santa Anita and to install a system of fire protection. The result of the balloting is exceedingly gratifying to those who have worked hard to bring the issue to a successful termination. While nearly every one expected the bonds to carry few had the temerity to predict such an overwhelmingly favorable vote.

There was little excitement during the day Tuesday. The good work of the Board of Trade's campaign committee and the mass meeting of last week had shown evident results in turning sentiment favorably. As a part of the committee's educational campaign last week's issue of the News containing a full report of the meeting was distributed to every house in Sierra Madre besides the sending out of the regular subscription list. In this way reliable data was placed before every person in town, regardless of their length of residence here. Few of those who opposed the bonds at first stood out against them when the whole situation was placed before them. To say the voters did not know what they were voting for is far from the truth. There were few who did not make an effort to inform themselves on the question and it is seldom the voters have an opportunity to vote more intelligently than in this instance.

Pleas for the setting aside of all personal feelings over irrelevant matters also showed gratifying results. While indications of the existence of some such sentiment caused a little worry early in the campaign, later developments showed that practically everything was subordinated to the main issue.

There had been a feeling on the part of some that the bond issue called for was unnecessarily large. But most of those who held that opinion took the position of Captain Osgood who said he felt the acquisition of the Baldwin rights to be so vitally important that he would vote for the bonds and trust the city trustees to sell only so many of the bonds as were necessary to provide for imperative needs.

Just how soon a decision may be expected from Judge Monroe in the condemnation proceedings cannot be accurately forecasted. If he sustains the city's claims to the Baldwin water it is probable a board of appraisers will be appointed to examine the canyon and fix the price to be paid by the city. Further proceedings seem unlikely while the Baldwin attorneys are engaged with the Turnbull will case.

WOMAN'S CLUB

A children's Christmas party will be given at the Club House at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, December 29. All children are invited and a big treat is in store for them.

At the club meeting on Wednesday, December 28, Mrs. L. C. Torrance will read a paper on "Child Labor" and a short talk will be given by a representative of the Parent-Teachers association. Tea will be served after the program with the Board of Directors as hostesses.

RETURNS TO OXNARD

Mr. H. R. Staples who has been visiting at the home of his mother, Mrs. Alice M. Staples, this week, has returned to Oxnard. He has recently resigned as manager and assistant to the president of the Ventura Light & Power company whose general offices are in Oxnard, and now assumes an interest in the management of the Oxnard Garage & Machine Co., one of the finest plants of the kind on the coast. Mr. Staples' four years of service with the Ventura County Light & Power Company have extended over the organization and development of one of the most efficient and largest public service corporations in this part of the country.

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COMES FAR FOR WEDDING

Interesting Ceremony Performed at Church of the Ascension

With a simple service performed by Rev. Dr. George H. Cornell, Miss Muriel Gertrude Horsfall became the bride of Mr. Arthur W. Purchase at the Church of the Ascension Wednesday morning. The bride was given away by Miss T. H. Graham, while Mr. H. W. Prime acted as best man. Following the ceremony a wedding luncheon was served at Mia Italia, the home of Miss Graham, at which were seated the bride and groom, Dr. and Mrs. Cornell, Mr. and Mrs. Prime, Miss Graham and Miss Munsell of Baltimore.

Both bride and groom are natives og England. The bride is a young woman of many graces of character and charming manner. Her home is in Dalton-in-Furness whence she came directly to Sierra Madre where she was the guest of Miss Graham at "Mia Italia" for a week preceding the wedding. For the wedding ceremony she wore a gown of old ivory crepe-de-chine, trimmed with pearls and old lace. Her only jewels were the handsome gift from the groom. She wore a large picture hat trimmed with blush roses, and carried a boquet of the same flowers. She is a sister-in-law of the artist, Mr. Edward Ertz who visited Sierra Madre two years ago for the purpose of painting portraits of a niece and nephew of Miss Graham.

Mr. Purchase has been in California about a year, his home being Howden, England. He is engineer for California Oldfields Ltd., an English corporation with immense oil properties near Coalinga and in other parts of California. Before leaving for the wedding he was presented by the company's official staff with a handsome chest of silver and a substantial check as an expression of their esteem and good wishes. Many beautiful remembrances were received by the bride and groom from other friends. Following a brief honeymoon trip Mr. and Mrs. Purchase will go to Oilfields, where they will make their home in a handsome bungalow which has been erected for them by the company.

PUPILS GIVE MUSICAL

The Study Circle composed of the music pupils of Miss Hazel Hill was entertained Wednesday afternoon at the home of Miss Dorothy Mitchell. The first part of the afternoon was devoted to a study of the life of Mozart. Musical selections by the pupils followed. Dainty refreshments were served, during which Mrs. Mitchell rendered two delightful solos. The musical program given by the pupils was as follows:

Duet, Les Sylphs.....Bachman
Dorothy Mitchell and Lucile Whitworth
In the Hammock.....Ferber
Lucile Wallace
Shepherd Boy's Song.....Blake
Dorothy Vance
Sonata in A Minor (Op. 101)... .... Loeschorn
Lucile Whitworth
Duet, Dance of the Gnomes....
Lucile and Winnifred Wallace
Murmuring Brooklet .....Wenzel
Marie Adelmeyer
Dance of the Sylphs.....Bohn
Winnifred Wallace
Chasing the Butterflies....Ellenburg
Dorothy Mitchell
Duet, Second Waltz.....Godard
Marie Adelmeyer and Miss Hill

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PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Ernest Yerxa spent a few days at Whittier this week.

George Humphries has returned from a short business trip to Oceanside.

Miss Evelyn Rice spent the week end in Los Angeles as the guest of friends.

Wilbur Gilliland of Los Angeles spent Sunday with Sierra Madre friends.

Mr. Rodgers of Winnipeg was a week end guest at the home of Mrs. A. E. Bell.

Mr. Cady of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., is a guest at the Letteau home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. I. McCormick and children have returned to Los Angeles to make their home.

Miss Eva Davis of Los Angeles was a guest of Mrs. Sage Horning and family over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Cornes of Monrovia were guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Welsher on Sunday.

Charles Rice of New York is spending the winter in Sierra Madre with his brother, Rev. A. A. Rice.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Andrews and Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Andrews spent the week end at Redondo, making the trip by auto.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ragsdale have been enjoying a visit from Mrs. Bowes and daughters, Misses Juanita and Katherine, of Washington, Ind.

Miss Bonnie Rockhold, who has been visiting several weeks at the home of her sister, Mrs. Roland Adams, has returned to her home in Riverside.

F. H. Jewell, who has been seriously ill for several days, was taken last evening to the Pasadena hospital for treatment. It is likely an operation will be performed.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mitchell entertained with a house party over Sunday, their guests including Mr. and Mrs. Hayward of Los Angeles and Miss Margaret Ramsey of Detroit, Mich.

Among the Sierra Madre people who attended the Shriners' ball in Los Angeles were Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Tarr, Mrs. Shager, and their guests, Mrs. Mary Davis Goodfellow and Mr. Claude Davis.

The Ancient Priscillas enjoyed a charming session at the home of Mrs. W. B. Crisp on Tuesday. Every member of the society was present, an incident which has not occurred for a long time.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Winter have rented their house on South Sunnyside and gone east to be absent several months. They will spend the holidays with Mrs. Winter's mother in Providence, R. I., after which they will go to New York City.

Mrs. J. A. Madden entertained the Sierra Madre Bridge Whist Club Tuesday afternoon. Her guests included in addition to the members Mmes. Carhart of Los Angeles, Chapelle of New York, Shattuck of Glendaye, F. J. Hart of Sierra Madre Villa.

The Sierra Madre basketball team plays the Monrovia high school team this afternoon at Monrovia. The Sierra Madre lineup is as follows: Mildred Rasmussen, Catherine Schwartz, Elsa Krafft, centers; Mabel Olsen, Isabelle Craig, Ruth Wright, guards; Dorothy Camp, Lenore Pogue, forwards. Miss Dorothy Humphries acts as coach and Mrs. Sawday accompanies the team today as chaperon.

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BY THE WAY

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Puzzle: Who are the twenty?

Well, we might as well enjoy the fine weather while we can, in spite of the fact that a soaking rain would be welcomed by every one.

Any one who attempts Christmas shopping at this stage in the game has good reason to offer congratulations to the wise ones who did their shopping early.

The second annual rubberneck contest is announced, to be held at Dominguez aviation field December 24 to January 2. Vulcanizing outfits for repairing strained necks will be at a premium for a week or two after.

To quiet the big hotel dining rooms of the city a St. Louis man has invented a noiseless soup spoon. That is one nuisance law which is not fractured at any of the large tourist hotels in Sierra Madre.

Were you wishing Christmas came on some other day than Sunday? Wait a moment—does the origin and purpose of Christmas make its celebration on Sunday inappropriate? If the festivities are not befitting the first day of the week how can they be in accord with the real spirit of Christmas?

The water bond issue refused to be influenced by any hoodoo. The ordinance calling the bond election was passed by the trustees on the twenty-third day of November and the election was held on the thirteenth day of December. For good measure there was an extra twenty-three attached to the first hundred favorable votes cast.

To those of the twenty who voted against the water bonds because of honest doubts as to the wisdom of the issue that six-to-one majority will doubtless carry a measure of conviction. To those whose votes were merely an expression of some personal grudge there can be no consolation. It is useless to waste time or thought on them for reason has no weight with them.

The holiday Charity Seals deserve to be liberally used. The expense to the user is small and practically the entire amount goes to help unfortunate victims of disease who need instruction and material assistance in their uphill fight. Some of the local business houses are setting a worthy example in using the seals on all their business correspondence, thereby adding their contribution to the fund and carrying the message of helpfulness all over the land.

It isn't every newspaper publisher who can annex a banker as a partner, but that is what E. O. Wickizer of the South Pasadena Records has done. He has lately associated with him Mr. W. G. Humason, who will be remembered by some of the Sierra Madre people through his connection with the Mount Wilson Hotel a year or two ago, while he combined an outing of several months with business. His son, Milton, who has been employed on the trail and at the hotel until recently, has also taken a position in the Record office.

When a man insists his home town is going to the bow-wows because it is run by and for some one man or by a little set of men it is a pretty good indication that he has tried to gather a bunch of honey for his own benefit and got stung. No live, wide awake town is so run in this day and generation. Sierra Madre is decidedly in that class and to say it is a one-man town or that it is run by any small clique is a slur on all the intelligent citizens of the community, and simply shows lack of information on the part of the one who says it.

The absolute necessity of providing some serviceable fire alarm system has come home to every house holder in Sierra Madre with renewed force this week. The need is not only imperative but it is immediate. It concerns not only property but the lives and well being of every resident of Sierra Madre. Regardless of future intentions as to fire fighting apparatus, the alarm question should be met NOW. Of course the volunteer fire department should be reorganized and properly equipped. But with an adequate system of alarms there will be willing hands available to use whatever means are at hand when the call comes.

With hourly direct car service between Sierra Madre and Pasadena a good many problems would be in a fair way to solution, especially the high school question. Sierra Madre students now have access to the Pasadena high school without the payment of tuition charges and without this district being taxed except for the state high school tax. One of the obstacles in the way of full enjoyment of the privilege has been the high fare and the necessity for changing cars. Removal of the latter obstacle will be a big advantage and the fare is bound to be lowered in time, possibly sooner than some of us would feel it safe to prophesy.

Our congratulations, even though somewhat belated, to The Artesia News and its editor, Jay E. Randall. The Artesia school district has just voted $20,000 worth of bonds for a new building, after three years of strenuous agitation by the News. When he began the campaign he was laughed at by some and threatened with boycott by others of the fossilized element who insisted the archaic old shell which had served the district for goodness knows how many years was still good enough. But up to the time of the bond election no issue of the Artesia News appeared without some reference to the question. Sometimes it was a line and sometimes a column. The fight which was begun almost single handed was finally joined by enough voters to carry the issue to victory. The Artesia school will soon be housed in a beautiful new building, of the same general plan as the Sierra Madre building, and thoroughly fireproof. If he never does another thing for Artesia Editor Randall will have the thanks of hundreds and thousands of school children, which ought to be sufficient reward in itself.

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Dominguez field, where the meet is to be held, is situated one half mile south of the site used last year. It is high on a bluff but presents a level table land with the whole enclosure safe for landing places. This is a big factor in aeroplane flight and the aviators are willing to dare most anything provided they may make a safe landing.

Although some of the flyers who took part in the Aviation meet at Belmont Park are not entered for this meet, the list of those already includes a majority of the best flyers in the world. The Wright trio, Brookins, Hoxsey and Parmalee cannot be excelled for fantastic aviation as their machines are the best in the world insofar as control is concerned.

Then the best of the Curtiss aviators are here, and there is Hubert Latham, the Frenchman; James Radley the Englishman, Capt. Baldwin the American, Adazetes the Egyptian, Tod Shriver, and several yet to come on the scene.

Above all there are to be those great masters of aviation, Wilbur Wright and Glenn Curtiss, each at the head of the two great divisions of American aeroplane construction. Curtiss is already here while Wright has promised to attend the meet and do some flying.

The Aviation committee has definitely settled on December 24 to 31 inclusive and January 1 and 3 as the dates for the meet. Monday, January 2, has been set apart in favor of the Pasadena Tournament of Roses and no flights will be made that day with a possible exception of a cross-country flight from the grounds to Tournament Park.

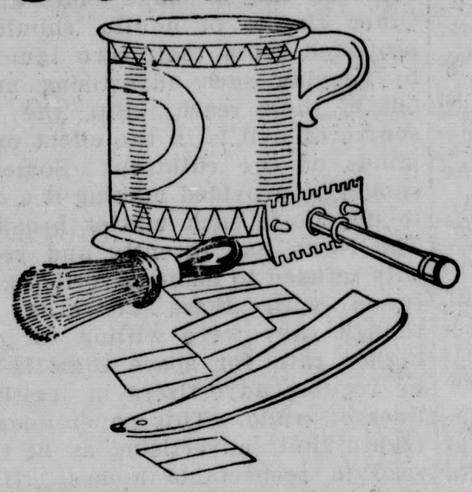
CONFERS EASTERN STAR DEGREES

Past Grand Worthy Patron A. R. Fraser conferred degrees at sight Wednesday evening on officers and members of the Order of Eastern Star at Masonic Hall. An application for a dispensation will be made so that the work of the order may be taken up without delay. The officers and other members joining in the application are:

Mrs. P. E. Biederman, Worthy Matron; Mr. W. E. Walker, Worthy Patron; Mrs. W. E. Walker, Associate Worthy Matron; Mrs. L. E. Steinberger, Treasurer; Mrs. F. S. Merrill, Secretary; Miss Mable De Pencier, Conductress; Mrs. A. M. Staples, Associate Conductress; Mrs. J. A. Patterson, Mrs. George Crow, Mrs. E. I. Merrill, Mrs. John Sinclair, Mrs. H. G. Flint, Mrs. C. A. Yerxa, J. A. Patterson, H. G. Flint, M. H. Bridle, C. A. Yerxa, S. H. Spafford.

An influential woman member of a fashionable church in Philadelphia had gone to her pastor with the complaint that she was greatly disturbed by one of her neighbors. "Why," said she, "that man in the pew behind ours destroys all my devotional feelings when he tries to sing. Couldn't you ask him to change his pew?" The pastor reflected. "Well," said he, at last, "I naturally feel a little delicacy on that score, especially as I should have to give a reason. But I tell you what I might do—I might ask him to join the choir."—Ex-

SHAVING OUTFITS



are only a few of the numerous things in our stock suitable for Christmas gifts. Did you ever see a boy—or man either — who would not appreciate a good knife?

¶ CARPENTER'S TOOLS always make a hit with boys.

¶ Carving Sets and Table Cutlery are always in order for gifts. Inspection of our stocks will show you many other conveniences for the household which would be welcome.

¶ A Gas Heating Stove or Hot Water Heater for the bath would be appreciated by the whole family. Remember, our prices on gas stoves and appliances are lower than you would pay in Los Angeles for the same article.

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Are you looking for an easy way to make money? We don't ordinarily encourage getting something for nothing but you can certainly come pretty near doing this just now if you buy one of those beautiful Valley View lots at present prices. With improvements under way and planned, these will rise rapidly in value. BUY NOW.

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Advertising inserted under this heading at the rate of five cents per line for each insertion.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Navel oranges, ripest, sweetest and cheapest in city. See for yourself. Bourke, last street southeast on Mountain Trail Ave. First house on left. 11

FOR SALE—Fryers and roasters. Mrs. C. H. Betts, Mariposa Ave. 9tf

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Vacuum cleaner, by the day. Inquire of Mrs. J. W. Keys. 10*

FOR RENT—Desk room. Apply to A. S. Mead or J. A. Madden. 10*

WANTED

WANTED—To rent piano for a few months. Phone Blue 81. 11

WANTED—Married couple would like room and board with private family. Good home cooking. State price and location. Address 1427 S. Union Ave., Los Angeles. 11

WANTED—Second hand bicycle, with coaster brake. Inquire at News office.

WANTED—Young woman with child would like position to do general housework. No objection to country. Telephone Black 82, Sierra Madre. 10*

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Sierra Madre, Cal., will be held in the banking rooms of said bank Tuesday, January 10, 1911, at 3 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may lawfully come before the meeting.

H. G. FLINT,
Cashier.

Sierra Madre, Cal., December 12, 1910.

Seventh Anniversary Number of the LOS ANGELES EXAMINER

to be published Dec. 25, 1910—A 160 page paper profusely illustrated in half tones and colors, giving full statistics of this remarkable country—mailed to any address in the United States or Mexico—10 CENTS A COPY. Send it back East. Send orders and money direct to the Los Angeles Examiner for the number of copies you wish mailed to your friends. As the edition is limited, an early remittance is desired.

NOTICE OF AWARD OF CONTRACT

Pursuant to statutes and to Resolution of Award No. 23 of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre, adopted on the 15th day of December, A. D. 1910, directing this notice, notice is hereby given that said Board of Trustees, in open session on the 8th day of December, A. D. 1910, opened, examined and publicly declared all sealed proposals or bids for the following work, to-wit:

First: for the grading and oiling of Windsor Lane from the north property line of Central Avenue on the south to the south curb line of Dixie Drive on the north, including all intersections, (except such portions of said street and intersections as are required by law to be kept in order or repair by any person or company having railroad tracks thereon, and also except such portions of said street and intersections as have already been graded to the official line and grade, oiled and accepted by said city) in accordance with the plans and profiles for such work on file in the office of the City Engineer of said city, and city specifications for the grading and oiling of streets on file in the office of the City Clerk of said City, said specifications being numbered 10.

Second: For the construction of a cement curb along both sides of said Windsor Lane from the north property line of Central Avenue on the south to the south curb line of Dixie Drive on the north (except along such portions of said street between said termini where a cement curb has been constructed to the official line and grade and accepted by said city), in accordance with the plans and profiles for such work on file in the office of the City Engineer of said City, and city specifications for the construction of cement curbs on file in the office of the City Clerk of said city, said specifications being numbered 2.

Third: For the construction of a cement gutter one (1) foot in width along both sides of said Windsor Lane from the north property line of Central Avenue on the south to the south curb line of Dixie Drive on the north (except along such portions of said street where a cement gutter one (1) foot in width has been constructed to the official line and grade and accepted by said city), in accordance with the plans and profiles for such work on file in the office of the City Engineer of said City, and city specifications for the construction of cement gutters on file in the office of the City Clerk of said City, said specifications being numbered 8.

Fourth: For the construction of cement swales along and across said Windsor Lane between said termini at such places and of such dimensions as are shown on the plans and profiles for such work on file in the office of the City Engineer of said City, and in accordance with city specifications No. 7 for the construction of cement swales on file in the office of the City Clerk of said City.

And thereafter, to-wit: on the 15th day of December, A. D. 1910, said Board of Trustees awarded the contract for said work to the lowest regular, responsible bidder, to-wit: to George R. Curtis, at the prices named in his proposal on file, to-wit:

For such grading and oiling, the sum of $1.20 per lineal foot;

For the construction of such cement curbs, the sum of 30 cents per lineal foot;

For the construction of such cement gutter, the sum of 15 cents per square foot;

For the construction of such cement swales, the sum of 15 cents per square foot.

Notice is also given that said Ordinance provides as follows:

That the said Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre finds, upon estimates of the City Engineer of said City, that the cost of said proposed work or improvement will be greater than fifty (50) cents per front foot along each line of the said street so proposed to be improved as hereinbefore set forth, including the cost of intersection work assessable upon said frontage, and said Board of Trustees determines that serial bonds shall be issued to represent the cost of said work or improvement; said serial bonds shall extend over a period ending nine years from and after the second day of January next succeeding the date of said bonds and an even annual proportion of the principal sum thereof shall be payable by coupon on the second day of January every year after their date until the whole is paid; and the interest shall be payable semi-annually by coupon on the second days of January and July respectively of each year at the rate of seven (7) per cent. per annum on all sums unpaid until the whole of said principal and interest are paid. Said bonds shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the State of California, entitled "An Act to provide a system of street improvement bonds to represent certain assessements for the cost of street work and improvement within municipalities and also for the payment of such bonds," approved February 27, 1893, and of all acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof.

Bidders must file with each proposal or bid a check payable to the order of the President of the Board of Trustees, certified by a responsible bank, for an amount which shall not be less than ten per cent of the aggregate of the proposals, or bond for the said amount, and so payable, signed by the bidder and two sureties, who shall justify before any officer competent to administer an oath, in double the said amount, and over and above all statutory exemptions.

PHILIP C. CARTER,
City Clerk.

Clerk's Office, Sierra Madre, Cal., December 15, A. D., 1910.

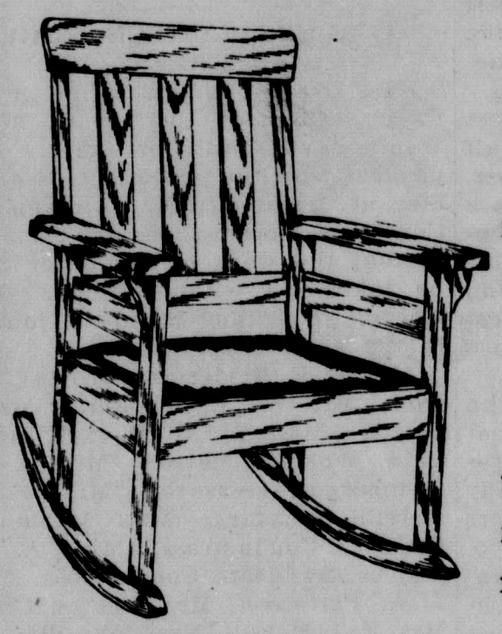
MORE MEDICAL ADVERTISING

During the week this city has been flooded with copies of a small booklet advertising one of the so-called medical clinics which infest Main street in Los Angeles. The vile stuff contained in them has been placed where it was more likely to be read by children than by any one else. To sensible adults the claims of these fakes make no appeal Other classes of adults should be protected from their own ignorance by keeping such advertising matter out of their reach. But the chief source of evil is in the effect on the minds of the children. Some law should be provided making it a crime to distribute such matter broadcast. The News has recently and repeatedly refused to make advertising contracts with these concerns even though they were willing to pay a higher rate for space than is paid by regular advertisers in legitimtae lines of trade. This paper does not regard their advertising as fit to be read in respectable homes. If the city trustees will find some method of shutting off the distribution of pamphlets over the city they will earn the thanks of a host of parents.

SOME ADVERTISING

The merchant wrote a little ad and put it in the Shriek, and there it stood, day after day, and week succeeding week. It told about his heating stoves—he wrote it when the snow was piled upon the frozen earth as high as it would go. And in the sizzling August days, when, in the towns and groves, the people fried and sweated blood, they read about his stoves. The years wore on, and babes were born, and grown-up folks were pinched, some men were to the senate sent, and other men were lynched; and some were wed and some divorced and some were boiled in oil, and some were loafing in the shade, while others tilled the soil. And some were on the briny sea, a-hunting treasure troves, and still that doggone foolish ad referred to heating stoves. The type wore out; the printer went to get another ad; "I tried that graft," the merchant said, "and found it very bad. No, advertising doesn't pay! So chase yourself, my cove; I tried your sheet for seven years, and never sold a stove!"—Walt Mason, in "Newspaperdom."

Christmas Cheer and Christmas Chairs



Nothing is Finer and more appreciated by an individual or the whole family than a comfortable chair.

We have lots of other things suitable for Christmas gifts. ¶ Just come in and look at our

Brass Beds Dressers Mirrors Tables
Music Cabinets Rugs
Sweepers Clocks Rockers Easy Chairs

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Phone Blue 68 West Central

Choice line of nursery stock at the

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All plants, trees, shrubs and palms in season.

MOUNTAIN TRAIL AVENUE
Between Laurel and Highland.

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Watches, clocks and talking machines promptly repaired in your own city. All work guaranteed. Low prices on jewelry.

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Real Estate, Insurance and Rentals

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Phone Black 8

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Church of the Ascension, the Rev. Dr. George H. Cornell, Rector. Fourth Sunday in Advent. Holy Communion 7:30 a. m.; Sunday School and Bible class, 9:45; morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m. The sermon at the morning service will be the last in the series on the historic creeds. Evening prayer and sermon at 7:30 o'clock. All are cordially invited.

No need to go to Los Angeles or Pasadena for printed matter. The News Printery will furnish it just as good, probably better; just as cheap, probably cheaper.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Stella Killbourne is spending a few days in Pasadena this week.

Mrs. A. E. Bell and Miss Bell were week end guests of friends in Long Beach.

Mrs. A. N. Adams spent Wednesday as the guest of friends in Hollywood.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Mead and family are spending the week end in Santa Monica.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Groves have gone to Ocean Park, where they will spend a fortnight.

Kenneth Ham and a few Los Angeles friends made the trip to Mt. Wilson Sunday.

Miss Lucile Collins of Los Angeles spent the week end as the guest of Mrs. Philip Carter.

Mrs. J. A. Patterson spent a few days in Los Angeles this week as the guest of Mrs. Vera Carter.

Miss Emma Driffil and Mr. Harry Staples of Oxnard were guests of Mrs Alice M. tSaples this week.

Mrs. F. J. Garey has given up her cottage on Lima Street and is now staying at the home of Mrs. C. F. Gray.

Mrs. Laura Stevenson and Miss Janet, who have been at La Jolla for several months have returned to Sierra Madre for the holidays.

Philip Carter and T. M. Webster were among the talesmen drawn for service in Judge Houser's division of the superior court for the coming term.

Mrs. Entwistle entertained a few friends at dinner at the Jonathan Club Wednesday evening, followed by a theater party, in honor of Mr. Cady of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Letteau and Mr. and Mrs. Lawless.

Mrs. J. H. Wright entertained a few ladies very charmingly on Wednesday afternoon. The ladies brought their sewing and spent the afternoon in social chat and listening to music. Dainty refreshments were served. About twenty were present.

Mrs. F. J. Biederman gave a dainty luncheon at Patterson's Wednesday evening following the organization of the Eastern Star chapter in Sierra Madre. Those present were Mr. A. R. Fraser, Past Grand Patron; Mrs Chloe Routzahn, Past Grand Matron; Mrs. Ella I. Mitchell, Past Worthy Matron, outhgate Chapter; Mrs Bertha Nelson, Worthy Matron, Ocean Park Chapter; Mrs. Pearl E. Biederman, Worthy Matron; Mr. W. E. Walker, Worthy Patron; Mrs. W. E. Walker, Associate Matron, Sierra Madre Chapter; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Patterson, S. H. Spafford.

CONGREGATIONAL SERVICES

First Congregational Church, Rev. James M. Campbell, D.D., Pastor. Services for the week beginning Sunday, December 18.

Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.

Morning worship, 11 a. m. Subject of sermon, "The Abiding Companion." Solo by Captain J. A Osgood.

Christian Endeavor Society meets at 6:45 p. m. Topic, "If we really love Jesus."

Evening service at 7:30 o'clock. Subject of sermon, "If we do not love Jesus."

Special meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society on Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock.

Midweek prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. Subject, "The healing power of joy."

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When making Holiday Purchases remember we will be pleased to show you our stock of
Perfumes, perfume atomizers, toilet waters, sachet powders, fine stationery, art calenders, Christmas cards and tags, Mt. Wilson photo views, 8x10

Combs
Mirrors
Brushes
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Lather brushes
Pipes: meerschaum and briar

Water color paintings (original sketches,) candy in Christmas packages, harmonicas, infant sets, clear Havana and domestic cigars in gift packages

Sierra Madre Pharmacy
F. H. Hartman Phone Black 25

Santa Claus

or any other man would be proud to wear the ties,

socks, house slippers, belts, handkerchiefs, suspenders, and other articles in our store which would make handsome presents.

Don't Overlook the matched sets in Christmas boxes, with ties, socks and silk handkerchief.

Those house slippers for ladies are handsome and comfortable. ¶ We also have some silverware at attractive prices.

M. Olsen, THE SHOE MAN

NEWS WANT ADS BRING RESULTS

Christmas Greetings

Cranberries, no Christmas dinner is complete without them, 15c a qt.

Vegetables

Lettuce 5c; Onions 8 lb. 25c; Celery, well bleached, 10c stalk; Pumpkins, large, 25c; Squash 2c a lb.; Potatoes 10 lb. 25c; Cabbage 5c a head

Mince Meat, Heinz 75c a jar. **Sauer Kraut,** 10c a can.

Sweet Potatoes, the very finest we could buy, 8 lb. for 25c.

Nuts

Walnuts 20c a lb., Almonds 25c a lb., Brazils 25c a lb., Pecans 25c a lb., Filberts 20c a lb.

Fruits

Pineapples, fresh, 10c a lb.; Grapes, fancy Malagas, 10c a lb.; Apples, Jonathan, 3 lb. for 25c; Apples, Bell Fleur, 5c a lb.: Bananas 30c a doz.; Oranges, sweet, 10c and 20c a doz.; Grapefruit; Raisins 15c a lb., 2 lb. 25c; Currants 15c a lb.

Coffees

Newmark's 40c a lb., Iris 40c a lb., Stott's 40c a lb., B&W Special 40c a lb.

We are anxious to give our friends the best possible service. We guarantee everything we sell, and if by chance anything is wrong, return it to us and we will gladly adjust it to your satisfaction.

Postoffice Grocery

Baldwin and Central Avenues **Betts & Welsher, Proprietors**

Picked Coal

When ordering coal ask for our **Picked Coal.** While it is a little higher in price, it is the cheapest in the end

No Dust

We also have a full line of Hay, Grain, Wood, Kindling, Poultry Supplies, Grass Seed, Alfalfa Seed and Lawn Fertilizer

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Sierra Madre Feed and Fuel Company

J. C. WHYTE, Manager

Home Black 50

AT THE THEATERS

Burbank

One of the prettiest little love comedies ever written is "The Prince Chap," which will be given at the Burbank theater next week. This play met with such success when it was staged by the Burbank stock company a little over a year ago, that it has been revived for the Christ- it has been reviewed for the Christ- suited. For charm of plot and delightful style, this is among the daintiest of all comedies.

The play is a dramatization by Edward Peple of the novel of the same name, and its story is idyllic. William Peyton, an American sculptor who has a studio in London, is called upon by the dying widow of an old and dear friend who died shortly before. The woman knows she is dying and prevails upon Peyton to promise to take care of her child. When the child appears, it proves to be a little girl, and the difficulties encountered by the young bachelor in ministering to her wants provide a series of amusing incidents. In the next act the girl appears again, five years older. This is the pretty Christmas tree scene which is a never-failing delight to children. Another act follows, when the sculptor's ward again appears, this time grown to womanhood, and Peyton discovers that his former paternal feeling has changed to something very different.

A. Byron Beasley will play the part of the sculptor. Three persons are required to personate the girl. Little Ollie Walters, who has a birthday last week and is now independent of the Humane Society officers, will be seen as the child, Miss Hazel Buckham as the girl nearing womanhood, and Miss Marjorie Rambeau as the woman. Howard Scott, Peter Lang, David M. Hartford, David Landau, Frederick Gilbert, Willis Marks, Ethel Von Waldron, Fanny Yantis and Grace Travers will also have important parts.

MEETING OF CITY TRUSTEES

The city trustees met in adjourned session last evening with Trustees Jones, Graham, Pegler and Steinberger present. Trustee Hosmer had been retained by jury duty in Los Angeles. The contract for the improvement of Windsor Lane was let to George R. Curtis at the prices submitted to the meeting last week. The first reading of an ordinance providing regulations and license fees for moving picture shows in the city of Sierra Madre was heard on the first reading and its provisions discussed. A communication was received from Miss M. C. Brandt protesting against the establishment by Mr. Hoegee of a burro corral on a lot adjoining her home on Mountain Trail avenue. In view of the fact that the lot in question is within the restricted district where the keeping of more than a very few head of stock on one lot is prohibited the clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Hoegee of the provisions of the ordinance and inform him that it would be inforced. Trustee Graham was instructed to investigate the cost of establishing a fire alarm system adequate to the city's needs.

We are going to have rain and chilly weather soon. A sweater coat or muffler would make a fine Christmas present. **O. K. Department Store.**

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